



**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Examiner J. A. Evans

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 25, 2005, the period of response to which is set to expire on October 25, 2005. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

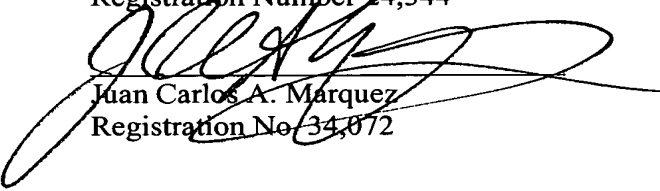


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- [] Please charge my **Deposit Account Number** _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the fees for _____. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
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- [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**.

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